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March 15, 1967

Mr. Richard Helms
Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D. C. 20505

Dear Mr. Helms:

The Joint Economic Committee released a comprehensive two-volume study entitled "An Economic Profile of Mainland China" on March 5, 1967. The study was made possible by the generous contributions of prominent specialists and the wholehearted support they received from the Government Departments and the universities with which they are associated.

I am writing to express the Committee's deep gratitude to you and your associates in the Agency. The following authoritative and timely papers are among the most valuable components of our compendium.

"Main Lines of Chinese Communist Economic Policy," by Arthur G. Ashbrook, Jr.

"Communist China's Defense Establishment: Some Economic Implications," by J. G. Godaire.

"Chinese Communist Industrial Production," by Robert Michael Field.

"Development of Electric Energy Resources in Communist China," by John Ashton.

"International Trade of Communist China 1950-65," by Robert L. Price

"Communist China's Balance of Payments 1950-65," by Central Intelligence Agency.

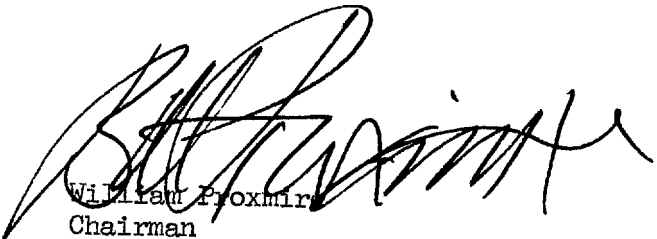
We feel certain that the study will prove most useful to the Congress, scholars, and the general public as a source of current information on the economic scene in China. Beyond that, we sincerely hope that this useful body of factual information will contribute toward a more realistic

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assessment of the economic position of Mainland China, its policies and alternative objectives.

We particularly appreciate your ability to provide scholarly unclassified studies of a high level of competence and on a wide variety of topics of current interest to the Congress and the academic community of the country.

Sincerely yours,



William Proxmire
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<p>Here's a letter of thanks and acknowledgment from Senator Proxmire, Chairman of the Joint Economic Committee, for the Agency contribution to their recent report. I am sending a few extra copies as I am sure you will want to make them available to the actual author and participants. I know you will be interested in the last paragraph. It is not intended that there be any answer to this.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">/S/ John S. Warner</p>					
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